

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Endowments Department – Allegation of corruption against Smt Kona Suguna Sivani, Executive Officer, Grade-I, (FAC) Sri Satyanarayana Swamy Temple, Isuka Konda, Visakhapatnam – Trapped on 13-06-2009 – Sanction of Prosecution – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (VIG-IV-3) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 150

Dated :22-02-2010.

ORDER :

Whereas, Smt.Kona Suguna Sivani worked as Executive Officer, Grade-I, (FAC) Sri Satyanarayana Swamy Temple, Isuka Konda, Visakhapatnam from 01-12-2008 to 13-06-2009 and by virtue of post held by her, she falls under the category of Public Servant as defined under section 2 (c) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988;

2) And whereas, Sri Besetty Gopikrishna and his family have been running Bhuvaneswari Electrical Work shop at Neelamma Vepachettu, Visakhapatnam for past thirty years. They undertook a lighting decoration work for weekly celebrations to Sri Satyanarayana Swami Devasthanam, Isuka Konda, Visakhapatnam from 02-06-2009 to 08-06-2009 as per resolution of Temple Trust Board dated 04-05-2009. Accordingly they arranged electrical lighting decoration to the Devasthanam from 02-06-2009 to 08-06-2009. Later, the Complainant approached Smt K.Suguna Sivani at her office at Isuka Konda Temple on 10-06-2009 with lighting decoration charges bill for Rs.18,000/-. When he requested Smt K.Suguna Sivani for the payment of the decoration charges, she asked Sri B.Gopikrishna to pay Rs.4,000/- as bribe to issue cheque for Rs.18,000/-. Sri B.Gopi Krishna explained his inability for the payment of the bribe, but Smt.K.Suguna Sivani paid deaf ear. Sri B.Gopikrishna again met Smt K.Suguna Sivani at her office on 12-06-2009 and requested her to give service charges of decoration. Smt K.Suguna Sivani clearly stated that if Sri B.Gopikrishna did not pay the bribe amount of Rs.3,000/- on 13-06-2009, the cheque would not be issued. As there was no other way, Sri B.Gopikrishna agreed to give the bribe amount, but Sri B.Gopikrishna was unwilling to get his work done by paying bribe, therefore he lodged a complaint with Deputy Supdt. Of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Visakhapatnam and requested to take necessary action against Smt K.Suguna Sivani. The Inspector of Police, ACB, Visakhapatnam registered the complaint of Sri B.Gopikrishna as a case in Cr.No.8/RCT-VSP/2009, under sections 7 and 13(2) read with section 13 (1) (d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 on 13-06-2009 at 07.00 hours and took up investigation, as the Deputy Supdt. of Police, (FAC), ACB, Visakhapatnam was on leave;

3) And whereas, it was further alleged that during the course of trap on 13-06-2009 at about 12.50 hours when Sri B.Gopikrishna approached Smt. K.Suguna Sivani at her office situated in Sri Satyanarayana Swami Temple, Isuka Konda, Visakhapatnam, she further demanded and accepted Rs.3,000/- from Sri B.Gopikrishna, counted with her both hands and kept in her right side top table drawer;

4) And whereas, the tainted currency of Rs.3,000/- was recovered from right side top table drawer of Smt. K.Suguna Sivani. Both hand fingers of Accused Officer and the upper portion of the right side table drawer, when subjected to chemical test, yielded positive result. The tainted cash of Rs.3,000/- and the connected documents were seized from the O/o. K.Suguna Sivani;

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5) And whereas the aforesaid acts of Smt. K.Suguna Sivani, Executive Officer, Grade-I,(FAC) Sri Satyanarayana Swamy Temple, Isuka Konda, Visakhapatnam constitute offences punishable under sections 7 and 13 (2) read with section 13 (1) (d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Act 49 of 1988);

6) And whereas, Government of Andhra Pradesh being the competent authority to remove Smt. K.Suguna Sivani, Executive Officer, Grade-I, (FAC) Sri Satyanarayana Swamy Temple, Isuka Konda, Visakhapatnam from service, after fully and carefully examining the material viz., copy of FIR, copies of statement of witnesses, copies of documents and other material placed before them in regard to the said allegation and having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case consider that Smt. K.Suguna Sivani, Executive Officer, Grade-I,(FAC) Sri Satyanarayana Swamy Temple, Isuka Konda, Visakhapatnam should be prosecuted in a court of law for the aforesaid offences;

7) Now therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (b) of the sub section (1) of Section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Act 49 of 1988) the Government hereby accord sanction for the prosecution of the said Smt K.Suguna Sivani, Executive Officer, Grade-I,(FAC) Sri Satyanarayana Swamy Temple, Isuka Konda, Visakhapatnam for the aforesaid offences punishable under sections 7 and 13 (2) read with section 13 (1) (d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Act 49 of 1988) and for any other cognizable offences punishable under any other provisions of law for the time being in force in respect of the aforesaid act and for taking cognizance of the said offences by the court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

K.V.RAMANA CHARY
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To
The Director General,
Anti Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad

Copy to :

The Commissioner of Endowments Department, Hyderabad.
The Secretary, A.P. Vigilance Commission,
The P.S. to Prl. Secretary to Endowments,
Law (E) Department, A.P., Secretariat, Hyderabad
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